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Do not miss the Inaugural Women's Forest Congress - Registration closes on October 10!

If you are one of the few who haven't registered already, <u>register now</u> for the Inaugural 2022 Women's Forest Congress (WFC) in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on October 17-20. Registration closes on October 10. Join hundreds of women and allies who love the forest to hear diverse perspectives and benefit from our collective expertise. The WFC is a leading voice for diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility in the forest community. Helpful Links:

- Learn more about the Congress <u>here</u>
- Watch the <u>June 8 Virtual Event</u> again, where we lay out what to expect at the Congress
- Check out our community agreements to prepare for your seat at the table in October
- Review our detailed <u>schedule of events</u> and read about optional pre- and post-Congress tours
- Stay up to date on our <u>Health and Safety</u> protocols

Once you're signed up, help <u>spread the word</u> about the Women's Forest Congress with our social media graphics. Whether an attendee, speaker, delegate or sponsor, use our social media icons to promote your participation on your social media accounts. Don't forget to use #WFC2022 when sharing on social media.

Thank You to Our Sponsors - We Couldn't Do It Without Your Support!

We've said it before, but it bears repeating, we are so grateful to our many <u>sponsors</u> who are directly supporting the October Women's Forest Congress.

If your organization is interested in supporting the Congress and help WFC with ongoing communications, the volunteer-led Steering Committee, Advisory Council, and Working Groups, learn more about sponsorship opportunities here.

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WFC Blog

This month's blog features Brandi Colander, senior advisor at Enviva and co-founder of #SheWillRise. Brandi spoke about her work with #shewillrise at WFC's December 2021 virtual meeting. And in her blog, she talks about being a source of connection and change. Read Brandi's blog and learn how you are the source.

Fun Fact of the Month

Did you know that there has been a steady, 10 % increase in female land ownership in the past ten years? In the past, when a husband passed away or divorce occurred, women would sell their land. It appears that more women are now keeping it!

Check out the <u>USDA National Woodland Owner Survey Dashboard</u> for further interesting details!

- 2006 15% women-owned (75% male, and 10% unknown)
- 2013 21% women-owned (79% male)
- 2018 24% women-owned (76% male)

THERE IS A NEED – ARGUABLY TODAY MORE THAN EVER – FOR DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES TO HELP ENSURE THE HEALTH AND FUTURE OF FORESTS.

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